

MINUTES OF HAMILTON COUNTY COUNCIL, JULY 2nd, 2003, 7:30 P.M.
GENERALIZED SUMMARY
VERBATIM DISCUSSION ON TAPE ON FILE IN AUDITOR'S OFFICE

Hamilton County Council met in Executive Session in Conference Room 1A of the Hamilton County Government & Judicial Center pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1-(b)(2)(B), Initiation of litigation or pending litigation. The executive session was called to order at 5:50 p.m. and adjourned at 6:10 p.m. Those in attendance were Christine Altman, Judy Levine, Steve Schwartz, Meredith Carter, Jim Belden, Dawn Coverdale, Robin Mills. Jim Wallace arrived at 6:00 p.m.

(6:15:00 - 6:42:15) The council met in a special work session at 6:15 p.m. to discuss Animal Control. Those in attendance included Christine Altman, Judy Levine, Meredith Carter, Steve Schwartz, Jim Belden, Scott Warner, Mr. Murry Dixon, Kim Rauch, Robin Mills, Dawn Coverdale, and Jim Wallace.

President Carter called to order the regular meeting of the Hamilton County Council at 7:00:24 p.m. Auditor Mills called role: Steve Schwartz, Rick McKinney, Jim Belden, Judy Levine, Meredith Carter and Jim Wallace. Councilor Hiatt was absent. A quorum was declared.

Everyone stood for moment of silence led by Councilor Wallace and remained standing for the pledge of allegiance.

[7:01:35] Councilor Belden moved to approve minutes of June 4, 2003. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:02:04] Councilor Levine moved to approve Executive Session memorandum of July 2, 2003. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

Public Comments

[7:02:39] Kirk Demaree, Jackson Twp resident

Renewed objections to extent of real estate being taken for the replacement of Bridge #82 on Crooked Creek Road.

Requested the council look at neighboring counties on animal control policies. Has found these other units are able to handle animal control for much less money than Hamilton County.

COMMITTEE / OFFICER REPORTS

President

Vice President

Highway

Finance

Personnel

Miscellaneous

[7:08:30] Councilor Levine asked councilor members to make themselves available

on Friday & Saturday July 18 and July 19 from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm to greet visitors to Government Tent during County Fair.

[7:09:45] Councilor Levine congratulated Diana Cleland & BJ Casali for their work on the County Web Page which is receiving an award.

Commissioner Report Commissioner Altman reported [7:10:16]

Attended Local Government Tax Control Board meeting on June 26th to request a maximum levy to be set. Unfortunately the tax board cut our levy in half. The board didn't appreciate that Solid Waste Board wanted to repay county government for supporting the facility for two years, that capital money would be required for maintenance of facility and other cuts to budget. Commissioner Altman will be writing a letter requesting the tax board reconsider their position.

Commissioners held special meeting before the last Commissioners meeting to look at operational cost because we can go outside the levy to build facility but not for operating. Council will have work session for discussion on center.

Requested Council adopt resolution directing and requesting county attorney Mike Howard employ the accounting firm of KPMG to perform audit and investigatory work with respect to COIT.

[7:15:16] Councilor Levine moved resolution to ask county attorney Mike Howard to employ the accounting firm of KPMG for purpose of auditing and investigating our COIT Revenue. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

Commissioner Altman stated Br #82 was discussed at their last meeting. A significant part of the rebuild of this bridge is to straighten out the approaches and make this safer facility for vehicle traffic. The bridge is designed and ready for construction, now is not the time for redesign.

[7:17:50] Councilor McKinney asked if Commissioner Altman is the liaison for the Commissioners to the Council? Commissioner Altman stated no she is here to keep the Council informed of what she sees coming from the Commissioners. Councilor McKinney asked if the Commissioners have mentioned scheduling a joint meeting to discuss future plans? Commissioner Altman stated she would certainly entertain that idea and would carry this request to the Commissioners.

Unfinished/Tabled Business

New Business

[7:22:57] Councilor Levine moved to approve Resolution 07-02-03-1 "A Resolution Concerning Purchase of Real Estate for the Bridge #82 Project. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried (5-0-1) with Councilor McKinney abstaining.

[7:24:07] Councilor Belden moved to approve Resolution 07-02-03.2 "A Resolution Concerning Purchase of Real Estate for the 96th & Towne Road Intersection Project. Councilor McKinney seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

Additional, Transfers and Amend Form 144

[7:24:35] Councilor Belden moved to approve Community Corrections 144 Amendments in Fund 259 Juvenile Grant Fund, 279 Adult Grant Fund, 327 Project Income Fund and 308 Transition Grant Fund for pay July 2003 through June 2004. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:26:11] Councilor Belden moved to approve Auditor transfer of \$11,000 from line item 003.000.1003 Lead Settlement Deputy \$1,200; 003.000.1005 Payroll Deputy \$4,800; 003.000.1010 Insurance/Payroll Deputy \$4,000 to 003.000.1407 Overtime. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:26:56] Councilor Belden moved to approve Commissioners additional appropriation request of \$1,148 in line item 101.011.000.1401 Social Security. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:28:15] Councilor Levine moved to approve Commissioners additional appropriation request of \$7,277 in 011.000.1401 Social Security \$3,447 and 011.000.1403 Retirement/Pension \$3,830. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried (5-0-1) with Councilor McKinney abstaining.

[7:29:40] Councilor Belden moved to approve Commissioner additional appropriation request of \$31,200 in 101.011.000.1404 Unemployment. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:30:57] Councilor Belden moved to approve Council additional appropriation request of \$50,000 in 101.015.000.4022 HC Higher Education Facility. Councilor Wallace seconded motion. Motion carried (4-2) with Councilor Schwartz and McKinney against.

[7:33:44] Councilor Levine moved to approve Jail 144 amendment in 101.027.000.1057 Correction Officer at \$26,625; 101.027.000.1086 Correction Officer \$26,625; 101.027.000.1087 Correction Officer \$26,625; and 101.027.000.1088 Correction Officer \$26,625. Councilor Schwartz seconded motion. Motion carried (5-1) with Councilor McKinney against.

[7:35:02] Councilor Belden moved to approve Jail additional appropriation of \$63,056 in line items 027.000.1057 Courthouse Deputy \$11,264; 027.000.1086 Courthouse Deputy \$11,264; 027.000.1087 Courthouse Deputy \$11,264; 027.000.1088 Courthouse Deputy \$11,264; and 027.000.2014 Uniforms \$18,000. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (5-1) with Councilor McKinney against.

[7:35:50] Councilor Belden moved to approve Prosecutor additional appropriation of \$15,000 in 031.000.1301 PT Deputy Prosecutor. Councilor Wallace seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:36:31] Councilor McKinney moved to approve Sheriff additional appropriation of \$480,000 in 037.000.4008 Vehicles. Councilor Schwartz seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:37:41] Councilor Belden moved to approve Delaware Twp Assessor transfer of \$1,750 from 101.056.000.3601 Postage to 101.056.000.1407 Overtime \$750; and 101.056.000.2001 Supplies \$1,000. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Belden moved to approve Delaware Twp Assessor Reassessment transfer request of \$3,500 from 109.056.000.3501 Printing \$1,000; 109.056.000.3601 Postage \$1,000; and 109.056.000.1407 Overtime \$1,500 to 109.056.000.1300 Part time \$3,500. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:39:30] Councilor Levine moved to approve E911 additional request of \$12,800 in 119.000.000.2001 Supplies \$800; 119.000.000.3835 Plotter Maintenance \$2,000 and 119.000.000.4006 Printer/Plotter \$10,000. Councilor Wallace seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:40:12] Councilor Belden moved to approve Buildings & Grounds additional appropriation request of \$57,350 in CCD line 203.019.000.4022. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:40:50] Councilor Belden moved to approve Federal Juvenile Accountability transfer of \$10.00 from Part Time 304.000.000.1300 to Probation Officer 304.000.000.1002. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:42:10] Councilor Carter reminded councilors of Special Work Session on August 6, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss Juvenile Detention Center and Budget Hearings scheduled for August 18, 19, and 20th.

[7:43:00] Councilor Belden moved to adjourn. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS

AUDITOR'S COMMENTS

Those present:

Thomas Firks, Riverview Hospital
Scott Warner, Buildings & Grounds
Diana Lamirand, Noblesville Ledger
Christine Altman, Commissioner
Kirk Demaree, Animal Control Facility
Madonna Roach, Probation
Marilyn Schenkel, Delaware Twp Assessor
Kim Rauch, Auditor's Office